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A SERIOUS STATE OF AF- Mexican side. FAIRS AT FORT RING-GOLD.

Rio Grande Receding and the Supply of Pipe Exhausted. Changing of the River Channel Contemplat-

San Antonio Express.

News of a serious state of al fairs has reached here from Fort Ringgold, the military post in the chaparral on the Lower Rio Grande. On account of the fickle gyrations of the Rio Grande that post is being threatened with a water famine, and it is stated on the best anthority that if important steps are not taken soon to relieve the situation, the fort will have to be abandoned.

The trouble in that section is that the Rio Grande is grad nally running away from the American side and cutting into take pipe many feet. the Mexican territory, leaving a muddy sand bank between the water and the former American bank. As fast as the wa ter is receding the authorities at Fort Ringgold are laying pipes to reach into the water, and now the supply of pipe has been exhausted. The intake pipe now reaches into question of reopening the old some shallow water, and if supply of pipe on the way from San Antonio does not reach Ringgold very shortly the post will experience a temporary water famine of a very prothis trouble averted the gov ernment will be under continual and beavy expense chasing af er the steadily receding waters of the river for its water supply YELLOW FEVER for the post.

The only remedy that seems ffective to the authorities is to end the river into her old channel, thereby losing to Rio Grande City the town near which Fort Ringgold is located, some valuable garden land.

The trouble began some years ago when the Rio Grande first changed its channel at Rio Grande City, owing to the unusual high water. The post of Fort Ringgold had its intake pipes buried so deep that they Texas could not be recovered and new connections had to be made, to gether with other improvements at a large expense. Then when Fresh California evaporated fruits, still, became necessary, and ly about the poultry house. A Mexican side, Heaving a sand bar, several hundred feet in before they were married, width detween the main bank wonder how they get along, ter daying 300 feet of pipe day that she misses her salary the pamp bonse southeast to ing Journal. the water's edge, it is discov

bank, and that it will soon be necessary to extend the sewer! outlet, just below the intake Captain Cota of the Mexican pipe, further down the stream and across the bank toward the

WATER FAMINE THREATENED. All of the pipe available has been attached to the intake pipe, which barely reaches into the shallow water, but hew pipe has been ordered from San Antonio, and if that arrives in the course of the next few days the threatened water famine will be averted.

The question, however, that confronts the authorities at Fort Ringgold is what will 1500 men being drawn up on happen to a newly laid water three sides of the squares. By main of 900 feet across a mud- 5:45 all was ready and a cardy sand bar when another rise riage containing Captain Cota occurs, as it is evident that and three friends, guarded by more of the Mexican shore will soldiers, drew up. At the be cut off, the channel will move further over towards the Mexican side, and another layer of gravel and mud will be deposited on the newly formed bar, no doubt burying the in-

The task and expense of raising and again extending the pipes can not be estimated, fantry. His nerve was indomand it seems certain that the nitable and his courage superb. trouble will indefinitely conti- As he advanced down the one at an enormous expense to length of the square, a distance

the government. channel above the town, which could be done at very little expense, and let the water come back to where it can be depended upon and handled with safety Tois is said to afford war department will have to he was not afraid. send an engineer to the place to cope with the difficulty.

SITUATION.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 19 -The yellow fever situation tonight at 10 o'clock is as follows: New Orleans: Three deaths,

eight new cases. Mobile: Eleven STAMPS WILL new cases. Edwards: Four new cases. Biloxi: One death. six new cases. Ocean Springs: -new cases. Scranton: Three

One of the New Orleans deaths occurred last night after the meeting of the board health, but was given out by the fact that the universal posthe press, making actually two tal congress, recently in ses-

the river began to recede an effective agent for destroying the Postal Union. The color other change more expensive parasites. Use whitewash freepreparations were made to ex- good spray pump can be used tend the main intake pipes to to advantage in whitewashing

and related edge. Now af- "I heard her say the other

German schoolboys study ered that the water is still leaving that shore and grade harder and play less than by chipping the edge till the sally catting into the opposite those of any other nation

AN OFFICER SHOT.

Army Executed for Insubordination.

City of Mexico, September 19.-Captain Cota of the Tweltth infantry was some time since condemned to death for insubordination for the killing of a major of his regiment in Sonora during the Yaqui rebellion. He was shot here yesterday.

garrisons were present, about further end of the square, opposite the eastern mound, in front of which the execution was to take place, the coach stopped, and the condemned man alighted. He was immediately conducted to the place of execution by a picket of inof at least 100 yards, he was The officers at Fort Ringgold quietly puffing a cigarette, and are seriously considering the when the squad halted he walked deliberately to the position assigned to him. Not even then did his courage forsake him, for when the officers stroke toward him, bandage in hand with the intention of nounced type. But even with the only remedy, and it will be blindfolding him, the captain but a matter of time when the motioned them away, declaring

He took his place and with his sword motioned to the men "ready, present, fire!" Not even during this trying period was the least trace of fear on the face of the condemned man. At the first discharge he dropped dead.

REMAIN RED.

New Order for Change of Col or to Be Revoked.

of department has been called to who willfully violate our laws. sion here, agreed on a scheme of colors for postage stamps Lime is probably the most to be used by all nations in of the 2-cent United States stamp thus agreed upon was carmine, so that the proposed change to green will not be

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Dr. Swearingen Says It Is Being Routed via St. Louis to Texas.

Austin, Texas, Sept. 19 .-Today State Health Officer Swearingen was in receipt of reliable information that New Orleans merchants are trying to avoid the Texas quarantine by routing their shipments via St. Louis and to Texas. He immediately upon receipt of this information issued the following circular to the public:

I have a circular letter signed by a large firm in New Orleans and dated Sept. 14 wherein the said firm agrees to ship goods to Texas via St. Louis, changing the bill of lading at St. Louis so as to evade the Texas quarantine. firm guarantees New Orleans freight rates and allows 21/2 per cent off the face of the bill as an inducement. It is very evident that this unlawful traffic can not be accomplished without the co-operation of the railway lines connecting New Orleans and St. Louis and St. Louis and Texas and in order to carry out the plan of bringing these death-dealing goods to desolate our State they invite the merchants of Texas to join in with them and be parties to the transaction. In the interest of public health, I ask every good citizen of Texas to assist me in preventing this Washington, September 19. dangerous business and in -The attention of the treasury bringing to punishment those

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